

METHODS AND DEVICES FOR REDUCING TOTAL BANDWIDTH
WHEN STREAMING MULTIPLE MEDIA STREAMS

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

5 Methods and devices for streaming multiple media streams are described. A plurality of media streams is received. A media stream is selected. In one implementation, a service is performed on each of the media streams except for the selected media stream. The service reduces the respective bandwidth of each media stream (except for the selected media
10 stream) so that the total bandwidth of the media streams is reduced. The media streams including the selected media stream are then streamed to their destination. The media streams other than the selected media stream are streamed at less than their initial bandwidth, while the selected media stream is streamed at its initial bandwidth.

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